

State Representative JIM A. PLAKAS **D-17th Representative District**



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Committee: Appropriations

Biography: Democrat, of Garden City, married to Dorothy; born November 29, 1929. Attended school in Detroit, graduated from Northern High School, Henry Ford Trade School and Henry Ford Apprentice School, Tool and Die Maker; served in U.S. Army, 1951-1953, Korean Veteran, Counter Intelligence Corps; Henry Ford Community College, Ford Engineering Program, Lawrence Tech, Mechanical Engineering; Product Design Engineer for Ford Motor Company, retired; served on Garden City Council 17 years, served as Mayor Pro-Tem and Mayor from 1983 to 1993; active in Democratic Party since 1957; District Representative for Congressman William D. Ford, 1964-1966; former member of the Democratic State Central Committee; member of Masons and Shriners; past member of Rotary; member of Board of Trustees, Garden City Hospital; member of Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church; former Chairman of Central Wayne Sanitation Authority; former member, Nankin Transit Commission; former member of Schoolcraft Community College Advisory Board, Radcliff Center; recipient of the Ford Motor Company's National Award for Community Service; elected to the House of Representatives, 2000.

